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Welcome message



Together we are developing powerful opportunities for music participation and life-long learning.

Education and community engagement are core to the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra's mission and we are proud of our reputation as a pioneer of programs for children, families, schools and communities.

At the heart of these initiatives are robust partnerships with communities and schools and with our visionary donors. Together we are developing powerful opportunities for music participation and life-long learning.

Donor support underpins our capacity to deliver these programs, to remove social, cultural and geographical barriers to accessing live music, and transform young lives — and whole communities — through music. Your generosity is vital to the MSO's ongoing engagement with communities all over Victoria, ensuring that the experiences we offer are meaningful and sustainable.

Thank you for playing your part and supporting the MSO's education and community engagement initiatives. I am delighted that we are shining the spotlight on these essential programs and I look forward to seeing you at the MSO's 2018 Black and White Benefit Gala.

Michael Ullmer



CHAIRMAN

MELBOURNE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Why your support is important



It is my great pleasure to present the auction catalogue for Melbourne Symphony Orchestra's 2018 Black and White Benefit Gala, the proceeds of which will support our education and community engagement initiatives.

Through our work with schools and communities, the MSO is privileged to witness the transformative impact of music and live orchestral encounters.

Your support will fuel programs such as our relaxed performances for people with additional needs and their carers, the life-changing Pizzicato Effect instrumental tuition for children living in the City of Hume, and initiatives for school students of all ages which include live-streaming and digital resources for remote communities.

Developed hand-in-hand with our main-stage artistic programming, the MSO's education and community engagement programs are informed by our steadfast belief in the importance of music education and participation, and the clear connection between music-making and well-being.

As one parent of a young participant in our Pizzicato Effect told us: "The Pizzicato Effect has helped my daughter enormously in expressing her emotions and feeling understood. She can communicate in the same language as others – MUSIC! She is passionate about music and gains more and more confidence in herself. Thank you for making my daughter HAPPY."

I look forward to discussing these wonderful initiatives with you on Tuesday 9 October at the gala event of the year!

Sophie Galaise



MANAGING DIRECTOR

MELBOURNE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Summary of

Live auction items*



European getaway

A Greek island getaway on Lefkada at the stunning Villa Penio, and a weekend to begin or end your journey at the Sofitel Paris Arc de Triomphe, with flights courtesy of Emirates.



Up close and on tour with the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra

An unforgettable VIP tour for two people, accompanying the MSO on a tour to the east coast of USA in 2019.



A day with "Data Whisperer" Matt Kuperholz

A day with Australia's Chief Data Scientist, courtesy of PWC.



Amazing Armani

A unique opportunity, donated by Giorgio Armani, to take a seat with a friend at the Women's fashion show in Milan, plus two nights at the Milan Armani Hotel. Flights courtesy of Emirates.



The ultimate prize from Rémy Martin

A Jéroboam of LOUIS XIII Cognac Grande Champagne, a unique tasting experience and dinner for eight guests.

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City Getaway

at Sofitel Melbourne on Collins



On stage experience with the MSO

at the Sidney Myer Music Bowl 2019



Dinner for two

at South Yarra's iconic Entrecôte



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His, hers, and travel Aesop packs



Celebrity chef Joe Grbac

cooking for eight at your home



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Give the gift of music



Six premium wines

from A Wine Service



Royal Treatment

at Kings Domain, South Yarra



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for ten people



Friday lunch and brewery tour

for four people



Flight Simulator experience

for two people



Chauffeur-driven vintage Rolls Royce

and gourmet luncheon at TarraWarra winery



Getaway to Royal Mail Hotel Dunkeld

at the Grampians

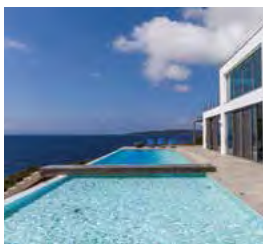
*Bids accepted prior to and during the Benefit Gala. Place bids at www.msogalabids.com. For complete bidding instructions see page 33.

European getaway

Live auction item



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Journey to the island of Lefkada, the fabled site of Homer's Ithaca, and the stunning Villa Penio. A stunning example of cubist design, this breathtaking property makes the very most of its panoramic position on the south coast of Lefkada, overlooking the island of Cephalonia where the movie *Captain Corelli's Mandolin* was filmed.

During your week-long Greek adventure you can explore the west coast and the famous beach of Porto Katsiki, windsurf in Vasiliki in the south of the island, or for history buffs, visit Cape Lefkada, site of an ancient temple of Apollo.

Your Greek Island Getaway includes one week's accommodation and is valid for travel to the end of December 2019. Villa Penio is available **from January to May 2019 or from mid-October to December 2019**. Please provide tentative travel date by **end of December 2018**.

Paris stopover

You will spend an unforgettable weekend at the Sofitel Paris Arc de Triomphe on your way to or from Lefkada. Situated just a short distance from Parc Monceau, this peaceful haven artfully blends its majestic Haussmannian façade with a modern interior design by Studio Putman.

VALUED AT: \$22,000

Villa generously donated by anonymous patrons of the MSO. Paris stopover courtesy of Sofitel. Economy airfares courtesy of Emirates. Upgrade is available at acquirer's expense.



Up close and on tour with the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra

Live auction item

MSO

Be at the heart of a unique cultural journey. This is your chance to be at the heart of the action and excitement as MSO and Sir Andrew Davis embark on a 10-day tour to the United States of America. The orchestra has been invited to perform in Chicago, Ann Arbor, at Washington's Kennedy Center and in New York. The itinerary for the US tour is currently being finalised, but you and your guest will become members of the family by spending time with the musicians and staff of the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra.

Travel together, stay in the same hotels, attend rehearsals and observe what it takes behind the scenes to enable a full Symphony Orchestra to perform at its peak on the other side of the world.

In the evenings, cheer on your favourite Australian orchestra from the best seats in some of the USA's most revered concert halls as you enjoy VIP hospitality at concerts and receptions.

VALUED AT: \$20,000

Please note: Touring dates and details are subject to change, but are currently 10-23 October 2019. This auction prize excludes airfares.



A day with “Data Whisperer” Matt Kuperholz

Live auction item



Matt Kuperholz is PwC Australia’s Chief Data Scientist. Matt is proud to have been recently recognised as one of the top 100 knowledge workers of Australia by the Office of the Prime Minister and the Office of the Chief Scientist and was judged Australia’s top analytics leader for 2018 by the premier industry body. His clients have called him “The Data Whisperer” and say he “Dances with Data”.

Formally trained in actuarial and computer sciences, Matt has been a data scientist working at the intersection of maths, computers and business consulting for more than 25 years. Matt’s speciality is the practical application of AI and other disruptive exponential technologies, however based on his deep and varied experience he can give you great advice and guidance for strategic and tactical solutions using data and technology to improve your business, whatever challenges it is facing.

VALUED AT: \$15,000



Amazing Armani

Live auction item

GIORGIO ARMANI



Principal Partner

The ultimate luxury fashion experience.

The successful acquirer and one guest will be given the opportunity to attend the Giorgio Armani Women’s Spring/Summer show in Milan. You will be among the first in the world to view the new Spring/Summer 2020 collection presented in the Armani Teatro in September 2019 (exact dates TBC).

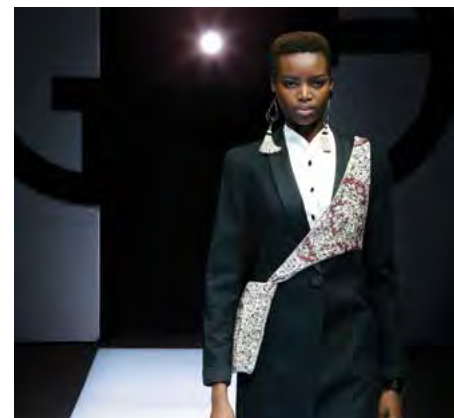
Attending the women’s collection is by invitation only, making this item of extremely rare value.

Enjoy two nights’ accommodation at the Armani Hotel Milano located at Via Manzoni 31, a unique fashion and lifestyle destination reflecting the essence of the city of Milan.

Following the show, you will be given a guide through Armani Silos, which houses a selection of his collections dated from 1980 to present.

VALUED AT: PRICELESS!

Economy flights courtesy of Emirates. Upgrade is available at acquirer’s expense



The ultimate prize from LOUIS XIII Cognac – Think A Century Ahead

Live auction item



The pinnacle of craftsmanship. The masterpiece of the LOUIS XIII collection, made with 5kg of Baccarat crystal, is crafted to create a rare three-litre decanter protected by a brass-bound oak coffret, like the precious casks in the cellar. LOUIS XIII Cognac is the result of a century of craftsmanship.

The crystal decanter contains an exquisite blend of up to 1,200 grapes eaux-de-vie, sourced exclusively from Grande Champagne, the premier cru of the Cognac region in France.

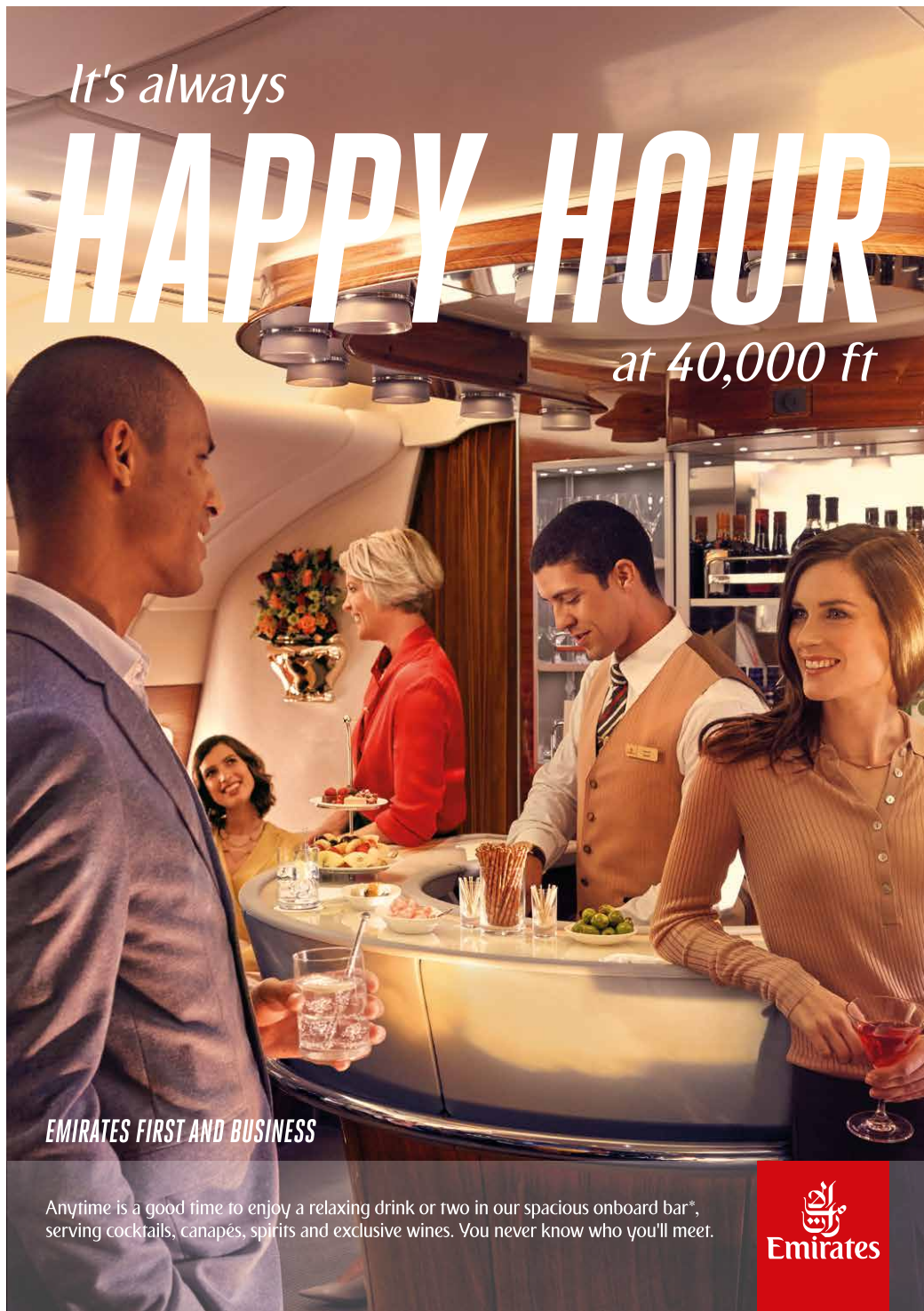
Since 1874, each generation of Cellar Masters selects the oldest and most precious eaux-de-vie for LOUIS XIII. Today, Cellar Master Baptiste Loiseau is setting aside our finest, as a legacy to his successors for the next century. LOUIS XIII is the fragrance of time.

One of only five Jeroboam 3L decanters available in Australia, this auction item also includes four crystal glasses by Baccarat and an invitation for the acquirer to an intimate LOUIS XIII dinner with eight guests, led by the LOUIS XIII Brand Ambassador.

VALUED AT: \$50,000




It's always
HAPPY HOUR
at 40,000 ft



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*Onboard Bar available on Emirates A380 flights from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane and Perth. For more information visit emirates.com/au, call 1300 303 777, or contact your local travel agent.

**BLACK & WHITE
 BENEFIT GALA**

**City getaway at Sofitel Melbourne
 on Collins**

Silent auction item

S O F I T E L
 HOTELS & RESORTS


Luxuriate in a 2-night stay in an Ambassador Suite for two guests

This item includes:

- Sofitel Club Access for two guests
- Parking for one car for two nights
- Dinner on the first night stay in No35 Restaurant to the value of \$250

VALUED AT: \$2,000

Please note: Valid until 8 October 2019. Subject to availability; not available on Special Event Nights or 30-31 December 2018.



On stage experience with the MSO

Silent auction item

MSO

Ever wondered what it's like to be on the other side of the stage? Well, now you can!

You and nine friends can take your place *on stage* for the opening concert of MSO's 2019 Sidney Myer Free Music series on Friday, 8 February 2019.

Enter via the musicians-only entrance with your Stage Door pass, and don your "concert blacks" in your private backstage dressing room before taking your place amongst the orchestral musicians. From here, you and your guests will experience the ultimate in surround sound as MSO's Associate Conductor, Benjamin Northey, leads the orchestra through a swoon-worthy evening of Gershwin and more.

Post-concert, celebrate your Sidney Myer Music Bowl "debut" with your friends at a backstage cocktail reception.

VALUED AT: \$3,000



Dinner for two at Entrecôte

Silent auction item

Entrecôte

Located directly across from the beautiful Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne in the Grand Old Dame that once housed the institutional Lynch's Restaurant for over 30 years, Entrecôte seems as at home in Melbourne as it does Paris. An intimate three-course dinner with paired wine and champagne on arrival awaits you and a friend at one of South Yarra's most iconic eateries.

VALUED AT: \$500

An intimate three-course dinner with paired wine and champagne on arrival awaits you.



Signed, framed photograph of the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra

Silent auction item

MSO

In his review of MSO's 2014 performance of Mahler's Symphony No. 2 with Sir Andrew Davis, *The Australian's* Martin Duffy described the atmosphere in Hamer Hall as "marvelously charged". Acclaimed photographer Matt Irwin has captured this moment in a stunning image which highlights the sheer scale and drama of this epic work.

A stunning image which highlights the sheer scale and drama of this epic work.

Beautifully framed and mounted, this one-of-a-kind photograph (shown below) is individually signed by the musicians of the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra and, of course, the man himself, MSO's Chief Conductor, Sir Andrew Davis.

VALUED AT: \$700



His, hers, travel Aēsop packs

Silent auction items



Aēsop his pack

Aēsop was founded in Melbourne in 1987 and has since become a global brand, delivering the finest quality skin, hair and body products enriched with botanical ingredients. This kit includes the Boston and Reverence Duet packs which come with Classic Shampoo and Conditioner, Geranium Leaf Body Cleanser, Reverence Aromatique Hand Wash and much more.

VALUE: \$210



Aēsop hers pack

Aēsop source ingredients from the most reputable suppliers across the globe, then marry contemporary technology with long-established scientific practices. This kit includes the London and Resurrection Duet pack which includes Geranium Leaf Body Cleanser, Rind Concentrate Body Balm, Resurrection Aromatique Hand Balm and much more.

VALUE: \$210



Aēsop travel pack

Whether your destination is St Tropez or St Kilda, always travel with Aēsop to ensure your grooming remains impeccable. This kit includes the Jet Set, Sun Care Body Duet and Concorde packs which are filled with Immediate Facial Moisturizer Spray, Resurrection Aromatique Hand Balm, Protective Body Lotion and much more.

VALUE: \$190

Celebrity chef Joe Grbac cooking for eight in your own home

Silent auction item



Invite Joe into your home and dine on a festival of rustic and fresh produce, evoking elegant and vibrant flavours. Joe is ready to turn your kitchen into his latest award-winning venue for one night and deliver the best of his latest seasonal menu. This is a 3-course culinary experience not to miss and an evening to be revered for years to come.

Joe's passion for culinary excellence was forged early in his career working in London for internationally renowned chefs, Gordon Ramsay (**Michelin rated 'Hospital Road') and Philip Howard (**Michelin rated 'The Square').

In Australia, Joe has worked alongside Melbourne greats Jacques Reymond and George Calombaris, heading 'The Press Club' for three years. Developing his own style of contemporary Australian cuisine, he opened the multi-award winning 'Saint Crispin' and 'Saxe'.

VALUED AT: \$5,100



***Please note:** This auction item is available in metropolitan Melbourne only. After payment you will be sent an e-voucher within 24 hours which you will need to redeem. Your voucher is valid for 12 months from the date of winning your item and must be redeemed within 3 months of purchase.

Signed, framed AC Milan Guernsey

Silent auction item



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A beautiful memento of the World Game from one of its most famous clubs. Associazione Calcio Milan, commonly referred to as AC Milan or simply Milan, is a professional football club in Milan, Italy, founded in 1899.

Signed and framed by the team, and generously donated by Emirates, this collector's item will take pride of place on the wall of any pool room.

"I can't think of many shirts out there that are as recognisable as Milan's. Our kits go beyond just the sphere of football." – *Gianluca Lapadula, former AC Milan forward*

VALUED AT: \$800



Andy Warhol artwork - Marilyn

Silent auction item



Purchase an extremely high-quality screen print of 'Marilyn' by the master of Pop Art, Andy Warhol.

The original matrices were used to produce this reproduction with a print size of 91.4cm x 91.4cm. With the originals selling for well over US\$80,000 each, this is a great chance to pick one up at an affordable price. Comes complete with a certificate of authenticity.

Your item will be delivered to your home or office address within Australia 10-14 days of making payment.

VALUED AT: \$1,600

Please note: Once the payment has been received, you will be sent a confirmation email which will allow you to easily confirm your desired full address, and contact details, in order to ensure this seamless delivery.



Representational image only; item artwork may differ.

Golf at St Andrews Beach with MSO Chairman, Michael Ullmer

Silent auction item



Located in The Cups' region of the Mornington Peninsula and metres from the thundering surf of Gunnamatta Beach, St Andrews Beach Golf Course is built on a stunning piece of land that lends itself perfectly to the tradition of the famous links courses of Britain and Ireland. Join the MSO Chairman for an enjoyable round of arguably the world's most popular sport.

VALUED AT: \$700



Tickets to the 2019 Australian Open with hospitality suite

Silent auction item



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January in Australia evokes images of hot summer nights and The Australian Open. These tickets are so hot they are sizzling! Snap up two Rod Laver arena tickets for one session of your choice during the first week of the 2019 Australian Open, while enjoying world-class hospitality in the Emirates Suite.

VALUED AT: \$1,500

Please note: Session of your choice must be between the dates of January 14 – 20, 2019



Give the gift of music

Silent auction item

MSO

The perfect opportunity to give the gift of music to the next generation. Do you have a child or grandchild attending primary or secondary school? Are you a loyal alumnus wanting to give back to your alma mater? Or perhaps you'd like to help a school in the community experiencing disadvantage (we can help you identify one).

The opportunity to experience the joy & wonder of hearing professional musicians perform.

In this special prize, MSO's Education and Community Engagement team is offering one lucky school an in-school visit by an MSO chamber ensemble. You will give dozens of children the opportunity to experience the joy and wonder of hearing professional musicians perform. As part of the experience, MSO musicians will provide a workshop for a class of students, tailored to their needs (primary, secondary, general classroom or music students).

VALUED AT: \$2,500

Please note: The beneficiary school must be within metropolitan Melbourne.



Six premium wines from A Wine Service

Silent auction item



Leading independent wine store Blackhearts & Sparrows has partnered with *The Saturday Paper* and *The Monthly* to bring you A Wine Service: the best wines of the season delivered to your door. These wines have been carefully tasted and curated with quality approachability and food in mind. Tasting notes and a recipe by Andrew McConnell, Annie Smithers or David Moyle (chefs and contributors to *The Saturday Paper*), are also included.

The premium pack is our finest offering, from revered producers and appellations. It's wine for people who know exactly what they like to drink. Enjoy.

VALUED AT: \$220



Royal Treatment at Kings Domain, South Yarra

Silent auction item



Experience the Royal Treatment – vintage hot towel shave with a straight blade razor and a superior haircut.

VALUED AT: \$100

Walk out of Kings Domain feeling sharp and looking downright handsome!

Please note: Voucher is valid for a year from the date stated on the voucher and only valid at Kings Domain South Yarra. The voucher is valid for use between Monday - Friday, 9am - 4pm and is best to book in advance.



Sorrento Deep Sea Fishing for ten people

Silent auction item



Enjoy an exclusive private half-day Deep Sea Fishing charter for 10 guests, departing from Sorrento.

This includes all equipment, tackle and deckhand to maximise your fishing experience. Targeted species are snapper, kingfish, flathead, squid, trevally, whiting, salmon and assorted reef fish.

There are no restrictions apart from not fishing over winter due to weather and a lack of fish. We will always endeavour to fish offshore, but sometimes there are restrictions to fishing at the bottom end of Port Phillip Bay and the Rip due to weather.

VALUED AT: \$3,500

Please note: Once you have made payment for your fantastic item you will be sent an e-voucher within 24 hours, which you will need to redeem. Your voucher is valid for 12 months from the date of winning your item and must be redeemed within 3 months of purchase.



Friday lunch and brewery tour

Silent auction item



Spend a Friday afternoon with three friends at one of Melbourne's most popular craft breweries in the heart of Brunswick East. Lunch includes food and beer samplers from Temple's range of beers on tap and a private tour of the brewery operations conducted by Temple's Chief Brewer, Paul Cook (not publicly available).

In addition, each guest will take away a six-pack of beers from the bar with a beer blade and Temple Bicycle Beer Baseball cap.

VALUED AT: \$400

*One of Melbourne's most popular craft
breweries, in the heart of Brunswick East*



Flight Simulator experience for two people

Silent auction item



Who hasn't wanted to fly a plane? This item includes an instructor, a certificate of completion, and an Ansett Aviation Training cap. You will undertake a 30 minute pre-brief, one hour in the simulator on full motion followed by 30 minute de-brief. The sim accommodates two adults.

VALUED AT: \$2,000

Please note: Bookings are made subject to availability of both the simulator and the instructor. This auction item is valid for one year until 8 October 2019. Guests are welcome to take photographs however video cameras or filming of the experience of any type is not allowed.



Chauffeur-driven vintage Rolls Royce and gourmet luncheon

Silent auction item



The TarraWarra Estate property is internationally-recognised as *the* place to visit in the Yarra Valley, rooted by the estate's respect for sustainability and provenance. Their wines express the unique terroir of the TarraWarra Estate site, which is comprised of 28 individual blocks and planted with carefully selected clones, each of which contributes distinctive characteristics to the wines. Under the watchful eye of winemaker Clare Halloran, all of TarraWarra Estate's wines are meticulously grown, handpicked, vinified and aged on the estate.

Be chauffeur-driven to the estate in a 1935 Rolls Royce Sedan De Ville, where you and a friend will enjoy a sumptuous three-course lunch and exclusive cellar door tasting.

VALUED AT: \$2,000



Getaway to Royal Mail Hotel, Dunkeld at the Grampians

Silent auction item



Enjoy a weekend immersed in food, wine and the stunning surrounds of the Southern Grampians, at Royal Mail Hotel, Dunkeld. A highlight will be dinner in the Wickens at Royal Mail Hotel fine dining restaurant.

Your weekend itinerary:

- 2 nights' accommodation in Royal Mail Hotel's premier room type, Deluxe Mountain View
- 5 course degustation dinner in Wickens at Royal Mail Hotel
- 'Feed Me' multi-course dinner in Parker Street Project
- Full breakfast daily
- Chef-led tour of Royal Mail Kitchen Garden
- Tour and Taste experience in the Royal Mail Cellar

VALUED AT: \$4,000



How to use the Givergy mobile bidding platform

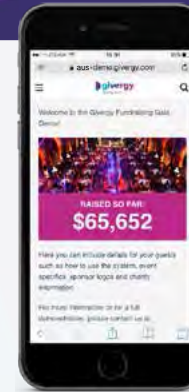
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Raising more

1.

View the auction site

Enter the auction URL in your smart phone's browser or click the link in the SMS you receive.

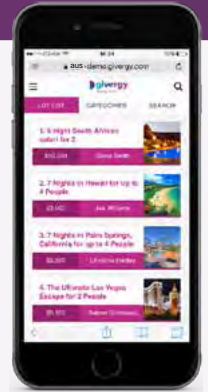
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2.

The lot list

Start by having a look through the auction items. For more info and an image of each item simply tap the lot item.



3.

Place your bid

Enter the amount you want to bid and then press 'Place Bid'.



4.

Login/Register

If your details have not yet been captured then the system will ask you to register before accepting your bid.



5.

Confirmation

Congrats! Your bid has been accepted.

You may now place a 'Max Bid' and the system will bid for you up to that amount.

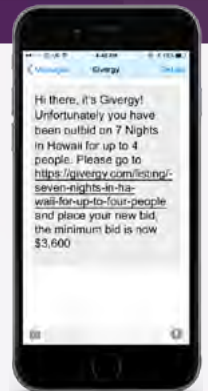


6.

SMS notification

If you are outbid you will receive an SMS with a quick link to bid again.

Good luck!



Terms & Conditions

Live Auction Terms & Conditions

To further make a difference to children, students and families in our community through the MSO's Education program, a Live Auction will take place during the Black & White Benefit Gala, giving guests the opportunity to bid for five extraordinary packages. Melbourne Symphony Orchestra Pty Ltd (MSO) advises that guests familiarise themselves with the following Terms and Conditions of this auction:

1. The highest bidder at the fall of the hammer will be declared the purchaser. Should any dispute arise between two or more bidders the item in dispute shall, at the discretion of the MSO, be put up for auction again and resold, or the MSO may decide the dispute and its decision is final.

2. All items will be the purchaser's risk immediately after the fall of the hammer and no responsibility will be incurred by the MSO or the vendor for their safekeeping, delivery and condition upon receipt.

3. Payment by the successful bidder must be made in full on the night of the auction. Payment may be made by credit card, cash or cheque made out to Melbourne Symphony Orchestra.

4. Unless otherwise stated, all auction items and services must be redeemed by 31 October 2019.

5. All auction items must be collected by the end of the evening in exchange for a completed prize payment form. For experiences, the MSO will contact the winner to organise the booking.

6. Reservations for all trips and/or similar events must be mutually arranged with the purchaser unless otherwise specified. All bookings for trips and/or similar events must be made in sufficient time for the necessary arrangements to be made. No refunds will be allowed on travel packages for cancelled tickets or accommodation except as permitted under applicable law.

7. The MSO has endeavoured to catalogue and describe all items correctly, but all items are as they are and the MSO neither warrants nor represents, and shall in no event be responsible for, the correctness of the description, genuineness, or condition of the property. No statement contained in the program, or made orally at the sale or elsewhere, shall be deemed to be an assumption of liability.

8. The MSO reserves the right to withdraw and/or alter any item on sale prior to the call for bids.

9. Any items not fully paid for will be resold by public auction or privately at the risk and expense of the successful bidder who shall be held liable for any deficiency that may arise from resale, together with cost incurred.

10. Notwithstanding any of the Terms and Conditions as listed on this page, the operation of the Auction remains at the discretion of the MSO.

Silent Auction Terms & Conditions

These Terms and Conditions are applicable to any use by you of the online auction ("Auction") and bidding facility, Givergy, (the "Bidding Facility") hosted by Melbourne Symphony Orchestra (MSO). Use of the Bidding Facility constitutes acceptance of these Terms & Conditions.

Auction

1. The online auction operated on the site is for the benefit of the MSO for whom the Auction is being run.

2. A number of items offered for sale on the site are subject to a reserve. All monies paid by a winning bidder and above the reserve price will be donated to the MSO.

3. Bidders may bid for more than one item in the Auction.

4. The winning bidder on each item offered for sale in the course of the Auction will be the person who has submitted the highest bid at the deadline and is in excess of any reserve.

Eligible Bidders

1. All bidders must be capable of forming legally binding relations under applicable law. The Bidding Facility may not be used by individuals under the age of 18 years old and by any other persons who are legally prohibited from, or otherwise incapable of, entering into binding contracts.

2. Any bidder using the Bidding Facility is warranting by so doing that they are legally entitled to do so.

3. As bidder you agree that we can process your personal data for the purpose and specifically for this Auction.

4. We do not and will not store your credit or debit card details beyond taking payment during this auction.

Bidding

1. Bidders wishing to bid on an item may make a bid for an item through the Bidding Facility via their personal devices or on the night of the Gala, through iPads located on their table.

2. A bid made by a bidder is an offer to purchase the item listed at the stated bid price. Any bidder making a bid for an item acknowledges and agrees that their offer is an irrevocable offer to complete the transaction if they are the winning bidder whereupon the bid will become a contractually binding obligation to purchase the item at the bid price.

3. If a bidder bids on an item and that bid represents the winning bid for that item and the winning bid is above or equal to the reserve, the bidder's bid is deemed accepted.

4. The 'winning bidder' is the person certified by the MSO at the end of the Auction to be the highest bidder, provided that their bid meets the reserve. The winning bidder may include any under-bidder who is awarded the item following the failure of a higher bid for any reason.

Item Descriptions

1. Items for sale in the Auction are listed on the site with a description and a minimum bid.

2. The MSO will, wherever possible, provide a representative image of the item offered for sale in the Auction but shall have no liability if it does not do so.

3. Whilst the MSO strives to ensure that descriptions and photographs are accurate, complete and up-to-date, it does not guarantee that this is the case, and will not be responsible for any damage or loss caused due to a bidder by reason of a description of an item being inaccurate, incomplete or for the item being otherwise in any way different to the bidder's expectation.

4. Descriptions of items are provided without a warranty of any kind. In no event shall the MSO (including its employees, affiliates and volunteers) be liable for any claim, demand or damages arising out of or in any way connected with the use by the bidder of the site, the Auction or the Bidding Facility or their purchase of an item.

Bidding Deadlines

1. Deadlines for receipt of bids made for an item offered in the Auction are at the sole discretion of the MSO and will not be extended under any circumstances. No bids will be accepted on an item after the deadline.

2. After the Auction closes the MSO will contact the winning bidder to inform the bidder that their bid was the highest and that they are, therefore, the winning bidder.

Applicable Law

1. This Agreement between you the bidder and the MSO shall be interpreted and construed in all respects in accordance with the laws of Victoria, Australia and any dispute arising in relation to any aspect of the use of the Auction, the Bidding System, bids made by a bidder in the course of an Auction, any item, payment delivery or any other matter relating to the Auction shall be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of Victoria to which the parties hereby irrevocably submit.

Variation of Terms

1. These Terms and Conditions may be revised and updated by the MSO from time to time without notice.

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